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PRESIDENT: Is it in direct response to the points made by Senator Chambers?

SENATOR WARNER: It will be Mr. President.

PRESIDENT: So long as you're remarks are relevant to the matters discussed by Senator Chambers, you're right of personal privilege is sustained.

SENATOR WARNER: Thank you, Mr. President. My remark is only this. Senator Chambers is objected or expressed an objection to my written comments given during committee discussion by the committee. This is in regard, as he has stated, to my use of a term "personal attack" relative to some of their remarks before the committee. It was my opinion that to suggest, as I took it, that the Attorney General's office or the Attorney General himself rather imposed himself in an improper manner in the committee deliberations, was a form of personal attack in the propriety of his action. I felt the comments were of the purpose of discrediting the Attorney General, rather than on the merits of the letter. Again, it was my opinion. The committee, very specifically, did not adopt any portion of what my comments were. The fact that I had them all written on one paper was of no consequence as far as committee action is concerned. I quite willingly concede that having made the statement, I should have explained specifically what I had in mind. Obviously, it was clear to me, I knew what I meant. As I read the statement I did add the word, as the tape will show, some clarification as to only to the Attorney General's letter. That is how I felt, that is how I continue to feel. I do appreciate that discretion is a better part of valor and perhaps I should not have said the remarks. But, I do believe that was the context in which I heard them.

PRESIDENT: Motions to reconsider.

CLERK: None pending, Mr. President.

PRESIDENT: Motions to advance bills from committee.

CLERK: None pending.

PRESIDENT: Other pending motions.

CLERK: Mr. President, I move to withdraw LB 191. Signed, Senator Stull.

PRESIDENT: That will be laid over for one day. Senator Barnett. Chair recognizes Senator Barnett.

SENATOR BARNETT: Mr. Chairman, earlier you asked -- Senator Koch asked for unanimous consent to have his name added to a bill. I think that's perfectly proper, except I don't know how many bills he's had introduced. I'd like to know if he's reached the limit, or if he's under 10 at this time.

PRESIDENT: Could the Clerk advise.

SENATOR BARNETT: That's OK. He says he's under, so that's . . . no objection.

PRESIDENT: Thank you. Unfinished business, including messages